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AMENDMENT

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Dear Examiner Yip:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed June 6, 2005 and the teleconference with Examiner Yip of August 10, 2005. This Amendment is timely because it is being submitted within the shortened statutory period for reply which ends September 6, 2005. Please enter and consider the following: